



# Volunteer Opportunities

## Life Options

The Life Options Annex is looking for volunteers for two programs.

**SNAP (School Nutrition Advocacy Program)** – Volunteers establish a relationship with a young person while eating lunch at Vista Square Elementary, located at 5<sup>th</sup> and G Street in Chula Vista. Volunteers receive a free lunch and will be trained to encourage children to eat fruits and vegetables. Time commitment is from 11 am to 12:30 pm once a week, however volunteers are welcome to participate up to five days a week if they choose. Orientation will be held in the Life Options Annex behind Norman Park Center April 7 at 11 am. Training at Vista Square will be April 11 from 9 am to 1 pm. For more information call the Life Options Annex at (619) 691-9774 or Vista Square at (619) 422-9208 x5419.

**Senior Mentor Volunteer Stipend Opportunity** – Senior mentors who speak English and Spanish are needed to work with the Child Development Specialist at South Bay Community Services. Qualified volunteers will mentor families, assist with parenting classes and parent-child playgroups as well as read to children and help families access the library. Applicants must be able to volunteer 15 hours per week and must possess the qualities of reliability, confidence, empathy, respect for others, and effective communication skills. A \$225 per month stipend is available for 15-hours a week of volunteer service. Contact Heather O'Hara at the Life Options Annex at (619) 691-9774.

## Volunteer Applications

The volunteer application is available in (.pdf) for download at the City of Chula Vista's website at [www.chulavistaca.gov](http://www.chulavistaca.gov). Go to the Human Resources Section and see volunteers.

## Engineering

The engineering department is looking for approximately 70 volunteers to help conduct a Storm Drain Awareness survey on two or three consecutive Saturdays at community events. Volunteers would need to be available for four hours each Saturday. They are looking for volunteers of all ages, as well as bilingual speakers. The surveys would be conducted in April and volunteers would attend a short training session on how to conduct the survey before beginning. If you are interested please contact Marisa Fontanoz at (619) 585-5692.

## Library

The Library's Volunteer Program offers a variety of volunteer jobs at our three branches. These jobs include:

- homebound book delivery
- children's services
- indexing
- shelf reading & organization
- inventory
- record-keeping & filing
- typing
- museum docent
- video/cassette/CD sheler
- mending library materials
- bookstore
- children's program assistant
- computer assistant
- library greeter
- literacy assistant

To volunteer for the Chula Vista Public Library you must be 15 1/2 years old. For more information about our volunteer program, please call the Volunteer Coordinator at (619) 691-5000.



Adults, College and High School students are invited to participate in I Love A Clean San Diego's "Creek to Bay" clean up event on Saturday, April 9, 2005. This Coastal and inland sites clean up day is a premiere marine-related volunteer event in San Diego, where each year hundreds of volunteers turn out to clean beaches, lakes, waterways, riverbanks and habitat areas to help remove thousands of pounds of accumulated debris.

The Otay Valley Regional Park's Citizens Advisory Committee will be coordinating a "Tree Mulching Task" in the Otay River Valley as a part of "I Love A Clean San Diego". Although actual work will start at 9 am, to avoid congestion in checking in, it is requested that volunteers show up at 8 am for assignment to teams and to receive safety lecture and assigned areas of work. High School and College students will be credited with four hours of community support.

The location of the "Tree Mulching" event of native trees planted October 2002, by volunteers, is the Otay Valley Regional Park's proposed central staging area, located adjacent to the west side of Beyer Blvd, south of the river and one block north of Palm Avenue, below Col Court. See Thomas Guide Map, page 1330, C6.

Volunteers will be able to drive to the native tree site by proceeding west on Main Street in Chula Vista to Broadway and then turning left to Beyer Blvd, crossing the Otay River Bridge and heading south about one block. The parking area is then on the right. Due to limited parking, volunteers are urged to car pool.

After parking, volunteers should proceed to the check in tent for assignment to a two-person team. These teams will be a part of a four-unit team supervised by an adult, who will brief volunteers on safety procedures and area to work. Volunteers are encouraged to wear long trousers, long sleeve shirts, broad brim hat, high top work shoes, and dark sunglasses and to bring suntan lotion. Each volunteer must have a signed liability release. Volunteers under the age of 18 must have a liability release form signed by their parents. An adult must accompany elementary school grade volunteers.

Volunteers may contact John Willett at (619) 420-1607 or I Love a Clean San Diego at 1-800-237-BLUE (1-800-237-2583) to volunteer or to request more information.